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OKLAHOMA LABOR MARKET

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(October Data)

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HIGHLIGHTS

EMPLOYMENT IN OKLAHOMA DECLINED IN OCTOBER COMPARED TO SEPTEMBER.

OCTOBER'S JOBLESSNESS INCREASED TO 6.9 PERCENT OF THE LABOR FORCE FROM 6.6 PERCENT A MONTH AGO.

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DROPPED WITH LOSSES IN SIX OF THE EIGHT MAJOR INDUSTRY DIVISIONS.

YEAR-AGO COMPARISONS SHOWED EMPLOYMENT SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER AND UNEMPLOYMENT WELL BELOW THE OCTOBER 1983 LEVEL.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION

Employment in Oklahoma during October, based on the place-of-residence concept, totaled 1,479,900 compared to 1,483,100 the previous month. In spite of this short term loss, this October's employment still held at 58,300 above this same 1983 month. Unemployment moved higher in October, reaching 109,900, up 4,500 from September's level. As a result of these labor force changes, unemployment as a percent of the labor force rose to 6.9 from 6.6 percent in September, but remained a percent below the corresponding 1983 period.

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OKLAHOMA LABOR FORCE
SUMMARY TABLE

Item	Number (In Thousands)			% Chg.	Absolute Change	
	Oct 1984p	Sep 1984r	Oct 1983r	Sep 84 Oct 84	Sep 84 Oct 84	Oct 83 Oct 84
Total Labor Force †	1589.8	1588.5	1544.3	0.1	1.3	45.5
Unemployment	109.9	105.4	122.7	4.3	4.5	−12.8
Unemployment Rate	6.9	6.6	7.9	-----	-----	-----
Unemployment Rate (Seas. Adj.)	7.1	7.0	8.1	-----	-----	-----
Total Employment	1479.9	1483.1	1421.6	−0.2	−3.2	58.3
Agriculture	56.8	54.6	57.3	4.0	2.2	− 0.5
Domestic Service, Self-Employed & Unpaid Family Workers	185.7	180.4	189.5	2.9	5.3	− 3.8
Idled by Labor Disputes	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	− 0.6

† *Based on place-of-residence concept.*

Wage and Salaried Workers, Total 1/	1181.2	1185.7	1173.8	−0.4	−4.5	7.4
Manufacturing	177.4	176.9	168.2	0.3	0.5	9.2
Durable Goods	113.3	113.1	105.5	0.2	0.2	7.8
Lumber & Wood Products	2.7	2.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.1
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	11.2	11.2	11.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Primary Metal Industries	4.6	4.5	4.1	2.2	0.1	0.5
Fabricated Metal Products	17.4	17.5	17.2	−0.6	−0.1	0.2
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.6	9.7	10.2	−1.0	−0.1	− 0.6
Machinery Exc. Electrical	34.1	33.9	31.4	0.6	0.2	2.7
Oil Field Machinery	9.5	9.4	9.1	1.1	0.1	0.4
General Industrial Machinery	6.7	6.6	5.9	1.5	0.1	0.8
Electrical and Electronic Equip	15.6	15.6	14.1	0.0	0.0	1.5
Transportation Equipment	22.3	22.5	19.8	−0.9	−0.2	2.5
Aircraft & Parts	9.2	9.3	7.9	−1.1	−0.1	1.3
Instruments & Related Products	2.0	2.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.1
Nondurable Goods	64.1	63.8	62.7	0.5	0.3	1.4
Food & Kindred Products	15.2	15.2	15.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	9.5	9.4	9.5	1.1	0.1	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	3.1	3.1	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.2
Printing & Publishing	11.3	11.1	11.1	1.8	0.2	0.2
Newspapers & Periodicals	6.2	6.1	6.0	1.6	0.1	0.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	8.2	8.2	8.3	0.0	0.0	− 0.1
Petroleum Refining	7.6	7.6	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	11.7	11.7	10.8	0.0	0.0	0.9
Tires & Inner Tubes	7.6	7.6	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
Mining	73.4	73.6	73.2	−0.3	−0.2	0.2
Oil & Gas Extraction	70.5	70.5	70.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Construction	44.9	46.9	51.8	−4.3	−2.0	−6.9
Transportation & Public Utilities Ex	65.6	65.7	67.1	−0.2	−0.1	−1.5
Transportation	33.7	33.7	34.4	0.0	0.0	−0.7
Railroad Transportation	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trucking & Warehousing	17.5	17.2	18.1	1.7	0.3	−0.6
Communications & Electric, GA	31.9	32.0	32.7	−0.3	−0.1	−0.8
Wholesale & Retail Trade	289.3	294.1	285.8	−1.6	−4.8	3.5
Wholesale Trade	74.6	75.6	72.7	−1.3	−1.0	1.9
Retail Trade	214.7	218.5	213.1	−1.7	−3.8	1.6
General Merchandise Stores	30.0	30.1	29.2	−0.3	−0.1	0.8
Food Stores	37.8	37.9	37.9	−0.3	−0.1	−0.1
Automotive Dealers & Service Sta	25.4	26.3	25.3	−3.4	−0.9	0.1
Apparel & Accessory Stores	15.5	15.2	14.4	2.0	0.3	1.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	63.6	64.1	62.2	−0.8	−0.5	1.4
Banking	21.3	21.2	21.8	0.5	0.1	−0.5
Insurance Carriers	9.4	9.4	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Services	221.4	224.7	218.1	−1.5	−3.3	3.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	10.6	10.7	10.7	−0.9	−0.1	−0.1
Personal Services	10.7	10.8	10.9	−0.9	−0.1	−0.2
Health Services	69.1	69.7	69.6	−0.9	−0.6	−0.5
Total Government	245.6	239.7	247.4	2.5	5.9	−1.8
Federal Government	49.4	48.6	48.5	1.6	0.8	0.9
State & Local Government	196.2	191.1	198.9	2.7	5.1	−2.7

1/ *These estimates are adjusted to first quarter 1983 benchmark levels. Estimates include all full and part-time employees of nonagricultural establishments who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month.*

NONFARM PAYROLL JOBS DROP IN OCTOBER

Nonagricultural employment in Oklahoma establishments was estimated at 1,181,200 during October, down 4,500 from September's revised figure. This loss stemmed partially from seasonal forces as well as apparent weaknesses in some industries. Losses were recorded in six of the eight major industry groups. The wholesale-retail trade division posted the largest loss—4,800—with a 3,800 job drop in the retail sector, where decreases were widespread.Services fell by 3,300, attributed largely to seasonal factors. Construction dropped in October, partly seasonal and also due to a slowdown in building activity. Finance-insurance-real estate was off 500, while transportation-public utilities and mining eased nominally lower. Conversely, government increased 5,900 due to seasonality and manufacturing edged ahead by 500 jobs.

Year-ago comparisons indicated a 7,400 job gain for wage and salary employment this October. Five major industries recorded gains while three fell below their October 1983 totals. Among the gainers, manufacturing led with 9,200 job additions, 85 percent in the durables sector. Nonelectrical machinery and transportation equipment showed the largest gains although almost all segments of durables were up from last year. Wholesale-retail trade accounted for 3,500 more jobs, almost equally divided between wholesale and retail sectors. Services followed with 3,300 employees added over the year. Finance-insurance-real estate gained 1,400 and mining was nominally higher. On the downside, construction fell 6,900 as construction activity diminished from its year-earlier pace. Government dropped 1,800, with 2,700 fewer in the state and local sector outweighing a 900 gain in federal employment. Finally, transportation-public utilities was 1,500 under a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Hours and earnings of all manufacturing production workers in Oklahoma factories decreased on average during October when compared to the prior month. Their workweek dropped to 39.9 hours from September's 41.4, while hourly earnings slipped to $9.71 from $9.85; this resulted in reduced weekly paychecks of $387.43 or $20.36 lower over this 30 day period.

Manufacturing production workers in the durable goods sector averaged 40.3 hours in October, off from a 42.0 hour workweek last month. Hourly wage rates also slipped to $10.03 from $10.14, bringing weekly earnings down to $404.21 from $425.88 or $21.67 less. Those production employees working in nondurable goods factories experienced the same pattern as their workweek fell to 39.2 from 40.4 hours and hourly pay dropped to $9.10 from $9.28 over the month. This caused weekly pay to fall to $356.77 from $374,91, off $18.19 from the previous month's average.

Hours and earnings are also surveyed in five major nonmanufacturing industries: oil and gas extraction, construction, transportation-public utilities, wholesale trade and retail trade (excluding eating and drinking establishments). These industries together with manufacturing are displayed on the Table—**Hours and Earnings in Selected Oklahoma Industries**—in this publication. Among these latter industries, weekly earnings declined in construction, transportation-public utilities and wholesale trade. Retail trade earnings were unchanged, while oil and gas extraction was the only nonmanufacturing industry averaging greater weekly wages between September and October.

This October's weekly earnings for all manufacturing workers averaged $387.43 compared to $384.92 a year ago, a gain of $2.51 or only a .7 percent increase over the past 12 months. This occurred as hours worked dropped 1.4, but hourly wage rates rose 39 cents. Other weekly wage increases were in oil and gas extraction and transportation-public utilities. In the former industry, workers' paychecks rose 5.4 percent, while in the latter weekly wages advanced 1.3 percent over the year. Average weekly paychecks decreased in wholesale and retail trade.

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

A total of 19,722 persons were receiving insured unemployment benefits during the week ending October 20, 1984. This figure was slightly below the total for the comparable week of September, but remained below the 22,632 reported for the same 1983 period.

Month-to-month comparisons showed claimants formerly employed in manufacturing during the survey week in October totaled 4,047, up from 3,620 in September. Those classified in contract construction rose to 3,255 from 3,129, while insured jobless workers in mining were about the same. Other industries also indicated little change over the month.

Insured joblessness increased for persons receiving benefits for less than 5 weeks and also for those unemployed and drawing payments for 15 weeks or longer. On the other hand, those claimants drawing benefits from 5-14 weeks decreased between September and October.

STATEWIDE LABOR FORCE SITUATION

Unemployment rates climbed in 48 of Oklahoma's 77 counties from September to October. During this period, 24 counties showed declines in joblessness and 5 were unchanged. The state unemployment rate edged up to 6.9 from 6.6 percent in October. Oklahoma's two largest metropolitan areas, Oklahoma City and Tulsa, also experienced higher unemployment as the percent unemployed rose to 5.6 percent in Oklahoma City from 5.3 percent the month before; Tulsa's rate moved up to 7.3 from 7.0 over the month. In contrast to these increases, U.S. unemployment eased to 7.0 percent from 7.1 percent.

Year-ago comparisons showed U.S., State, Oklahoma City and Tulsa jobless rates this October down from this same 1983 period as shown on the **Labor Force Data Table** in this publication. Nevertheless, unemployment increased in eleven state counties, reversing the trend of recent months when jobless rates remained below 1983 despite month-to-month fluctuation during 1984.

LABOR FORCE DATA

Total Employment and Unemployment

OCTOBER 1984

Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
				Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago
UNITED STATES	106,262,000	7,989,000	114,251,000	7.0	7.1	8.4
OKLAHOMA	1,479,900	109,900	1,589,800	6.9	6.6	7.9
Oklahoma City MSA*	472,900	27,900	500,800	5.6	5.3	6.1
Tulsa MSA**	348,400	27,400	375,800	7.3	7.0	8.8
Lawton MSA***	38,350	2,900	41,250	7.0	6.0	6.2
Enid MSA****	30,025	2,000	32,025	6.2	6.0	6.8
Adair	7,920	660	8,580	7.7	7.4	10.5
Alfalfa	3,540	140	3,680	3.8	2.9	3.9
Atoka	4,240	600	4,840	12.4	11.1	12.0
Beaver	3,570	100	3,670	2.7	2.9	3.0
Beckham	10,660	960	11,620	8.3	8.5	13.5
Blaine	5,930	350	6,280	5.6	6.4	8.8
Bryan	13,920	1,220	15,140	8.1	7.8	9.3
Caddo	13,550	1,380	14,930	9.2	8.0	10.0
Canadian	32,000	1,650	33,650	4.9	4.6	5.3
Carter	21,075	1,725	22,800	7.6	6.9	9.0
Cherokee	14,230	1,460	15,690	9.3	10.4	9.6
Choctaw	5,620	810	6,430	12.6	11.5	14.0
Cimarron	1,650	70	1,720	4.1	3.7	3.6
Cleveland	75,500	4,075	79,575	5.1	4.7	5.3
Coal	1,930	310	2,240	13.8	13.1	14.7
Comanche	38,350	2,900	41,250	7.0	6.0	6.2
Cotton	2,770	130	2,900	4.5	5.0	3.8
Craig	7,300	520	7,820	6.6	5.9	6.9
Creek	29,825	2,525	32,350	7.8	7.4	10.0
Custer	15,940	980	16,920	5.8	6.0	7.9
Delaware	11,090	900	11,990	7.5	6.6	8.0
Dewey	3,430	240	3,670	6.5	6.3	8.8
Ellis	2,560	240	2,800	8.6	7.5	6.9
Garfield	30,025	2,000	32,025	6.2	6.0	6.8
Garvin	11,560	850	12,410	6.8	6.6	9.2
Grady	18,980	1,710	20,690	8.3	8.2	10.0
Grant	2,950	110	3,060	3.6	3.8	4.7
Greer	2,960	160	3,120	5.1	5.6	8.8
Harmon	1,830	120	1,950	6.2	6.2	5.2
Harper	1,860	120	1,980	6.1	3.7	7.6
Haskell	5,320	710	6,030	11.8	11.4	12.5
Hughes	5,140	860	6,000	14.3	14.6	16.4
Jackson	10,440	760	11,200	6.8	5.8	7.0
Jefferson	3,710	280	3,990	7.0	8.2	8.0
Johnston	3,940	370	4,310	8.6	7.6	8.9
Kay	25,825	1,700	27,525	6.2	6.2	8.0
Kingfisher	8,390	440	8,830	5.0	4.9	5.9
Kiowa	5,780	360	6,140	5.9	6.0	6.8

LABOR FORCE DATA

Total Employment and Unemployment

OCTOBER 1984

Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
				Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago
Latimer	3,160	530	3,690	14.4	14.0	16.9
LeFlore	16,930	1,760	18,690	9.4	8.4	9.6
Lincoln	9,510	1,020	10,530	9.7	9.3	9.9
Logan	10,340	820	11,160	7.3	7.4	9.9
Love	2,610	310	2,920	10.6	10.8	10.1
McClain	11,500	700	12,200	5.7	4.9	5.7
McCurtain	13,490	1,440	14,930	9.6	9.4	11.1
McIntosh	5,930	730	6,660	11.0	10.2	10.1
Major	3,980	250	4,230	5.9	6.1	6.8
Marshall	4,060	330	4,390	7.5	7.6	8.5
Mayes	16,300	1,375	17,675	7.8	7.1	8.9
Murray	5,410	500	5,910	8.5	7.5	10.1
Muskogee	28,650	3,350	32,000	10.5	9.8	9.9
Noble	5,080	310	5,390	5.8	5.5	6.6
Nowata	4,830	500	5,330	9.4	8.4	12.7
Okfuskee	4,050	450	4,500	10.0	10.0	11.5
Oklahoma	322,525	19,550	342,125	5.7	5.5	6.3
Okmulgee	13,425	1,450	14,875	9.7	9.2	13.0
Osage	19,875	1,225	21,100	5.8	5.7	6.2
Ottawa	13,300	1,450	14,750	9.8	10.1	8.4
Pawnee	6,440	650	7,090	9.2	9.6	11.4
Payne	32,750	1,400	34,150	4.1	3.7	5.3
Pittsburg	12,375	1,750	14,125	12.4	12.6	14.1
Pontotoc	15,580	980	16,560	5.9	6.0	7.4
Pottawatomie	31,325	1,975	33,300	5.9	5.9	6.6
Pushmataha	2,790	490	3,280	14.9	15.8	16.2
Roger Mills	3,010	190	3,200	5.9	6.7	8.0
Rogers	23,475	1,825	25,300	7.2	6.8	9.2
Seminole	11,190	1,310	12,500	10.5	10.1	11.0
Sequoyah	12,790	1,320	14,110	9.4	9.5	8.5
Stephens	20,810	1,490	22,300	6.7	6.6	9.3
Texas	8,530	350	8,880	3.9	3.4	3.8
Tillman	4,600	350	4,950	7.1	6.7	11.0
Tulsa	237,775	19,150	256,925	7.5	7.2	8.9
Wagoner	21,125	1,350	22,475	6.0	5.6	6.8
Washington	25,880	1,130	27,010	4.2	3.7	5.6
Washita	7,780	550	8,330	6.6	6.7	10.5
Woods	5,970	140	6,110	2.3	3.0	4.1
Woodward	15,360	1,030	16,390	6.3	6.3	9.4

Note: Data shown in this table are preliminary figures.
Components may not add to totals due to rounding.

* *Oklahoma City MSA includes Oklahoma, Canadian, Cleveland, McClain and Pottawatomie Counties.*

** *Tulsa MSA includes Tulsa, Creek, Mayes, Osage, Rogers and Wagoner Counties.*

*** *Lawton MSA includes Comanche County only.*

**** *Enid MSA includes Garfield County only.*

HOURS AND EARNINGS
IN SELECTED OKLAHOMA INDUSTRIES
OCTOBER 1984

INDUSTRY GROUP	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct 1984p	Sep 1984r	Oct 1983r	Oct 1984p	Sep 1984r	Oct 1983r	Oct 1984p	Sep 1984r	Oct 1983r
Manufacturing	**$387.43**	**$407.79**	**$364.92**	**39.9**	**41.4**	**41.3**	**$ 9.71**	**$ 9.85**	**$ 9.32**
Durable Goods	**404.21**	**425.88**	**391.88**	**40.3**	**42.0**	**41.1**	**10.03**	**10.14**	**9.53**
Stone, Clay & Glass	440.22	439.03	412.72	43.5	43.0	42.2	10.12	10.21	9.78
Primary Metals	394.70	392.60	411.15	41.9	41.9	43.6	9.42	9.37	9.43
Fabricated Metals	379.25	383.35	372.60	41.0	41.0	40.9	9.25	9.35	9.11
Fabricated Structural Metals	372.94	382.89	390.51	41.3	41.8	41.9	9.03	9.16	9.32
Machinery, Except Electrical	350.05	426.66	335.87	36.2	44.4	39.1	9.67	9.61	8.59
Oil Field Machinery	428.58	434.30	398.12	39.5	41.8	40.5	10.85	10.39	9.83
Electric & Electronic Equipment	447.80	453.48	403.17	46.5	42.5	44.5	9.63	10.67	9.06
Transportation Equipment	482.82	473.30	500.17	39.0	38.7	41.2	12.38	12.23	12.14
Instruments & Related Products	421.95	398.98	416.53	43.5	43.7	41.2	9.70	9.13	10.11
Nondurable Goods	**356.72**	**374.91**	**372.32**	**39.2**	**40.4**	**41.6**	**9.10**	**9.28**	**8.95**
Food & Kindred Products	310.84	339.03	326.06	39.8	40.7	42.4	7.81	8.33	7.69
Apparel & Other Textiles	184.24	173.04	175.48	37.6	35.9	37.9	4.90	4.82	4.63
Paper & Allied Products	399.38	405.00	421.20	39.7	40.5	45.0	10 06	10.00	9.36
Printing & Publishing	381 82	397.38	378.01	41.1	42.5	40.3	9.29	9.35	9.38
Newspapers & Periodicals	417.42	419.04	419.34	42.9	43.2	42.4	9.73	9.70	9.89
Petroleum Refining	511.15	543.58	528.35	40.6	42.5	44.7	12.59	12.79	11.82
Nonmanufacturing									
Construction	424.67	439.56	426.31	37.8	39.6	37.2	11.24	11.10	11.46
Oil & Gas Extraction	455.99	446.26	432.60	44.4	43.2	41.2	10.27	10.33	10.50
Public Utilities	466.42	473.40	460.32	40.7	40.6	40.7	11.46	11.66	11.31
Wholesale Trade	358.38	360.38	365.09	39.6	39.3	39.9	9.05	9.17	9.15
Retail Trade*	193.75	193.75	218.12	31.2	31.2	33.2	6.21	6.21	6.57

Note: *Averages are for production or nonsupervisory workers only and cover both full and part-time employees. Overtime hours and pay are included and changes in the amount of overtime may affect these data. There are approximately 130,100 production workers in manufacturing. These data revised to a 1983 benchmark.*

Above industries have been classified according to the **Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual, 1972.**

p-Preliminary; r-Revised. **Excludes eating and drinking establishments.*

Source: Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Research and Planning.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

1967 = 100

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS				URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS			
ANNUAL AVERAGES AND CHANGES 1980 - 1983*								
Year	Index		Percent Change From Previous Year		Index		Percent Change From Previous Year	
1980	246.8		13.5		247.0		13.5	
1981	272.4		10.4		272.3		10.2	
1982	289.1		6.1		288.6		6.0	
1983	298.4		3.2		297.4		3.0	
MONTH AND YEAR-AGO CHANGES								
Year	Oct Index	Sep Index	% Change Month Ago	% Change Year Ago	Oct Index	Sep Index	% Change Month Ago	% Change Year Ago
1984	315.3	314.5	.3	4.2	312.2	312.1	*	3.6

* *Change less than one-tenth of one percent.*

COMPARISONS OF UNEMPLOYMENT RATES*

United States and Oklahoma

1981 - 1984

MONTH	1981 RATES				1982 RATES				1983 RATES				1984 RATES				MONTH
	Unadj.		Seas. Adj.		Unadj.		Seas. Adj.		Unadj.		Seas. Adj.		Unadj.		Seas. Adj.		
	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	U.S.	OK	
Jan.	8.2	4.4	7.5	4.0	9.4	4.4	8.6	4.0	11.4	9.1	10.3	8.3	8.6	8.6	8.0	7.9	Jan.
Feb.	8.0	4.0	7.4	3.8	9.6	4.3	8.8	4.0	11.3	10.1	10.2	9.7	8.4	8.2	7.8	7.7	Feb.
Mar.	7.7	3.6	7.3	3.7	9.5	4.1	9.0	4.2	10.8	10.1	10.2	10.2	8.1	7.7	7.8	7.8	Mar.
Apr.	7.0	3.4	7.2	3.5	9.2	4.3	9.3	4.4	10.0	9.8	10.1	10.0	7.6	7.1	7.8	7.3	Apr.
May	7.1	3.3	7.5	3.4	9.1	4.6	9.4	4.8	9.8	10.2	9.9	10.3	7.2	6.8	7.5	6.9	May
June	7.7	3.5	7.4	3.3	9.8	5.2	9.5	5.1	10.2	10.0	9.8	9.7	7.4	6.6	7.1	6.3	June
July	7.3	3.4	7.2	3.3	9.8	5.8	9.8	5.7	9.4	9.6	9.3	9.4	7.5	6.6	7.5	6.5	July
Aug.	7.2	3.1	7.4	3.3	9.6	5.8	9.9	6.1	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.5	7.3	6.8	7.5	7.2	Aug.
Sept.	7.3	3.3	7.6	3.5	9.7	6.5	10.2	6.9	8.8	8.3	9.1	8.7	7.1	6.6	7.4	7.0	Sept.
Oct.	7.5	3.6	8.0	3.7	9.9	7.2	10.5	7.4	8.4	7.9	8.7	8.1	7.0	6.9	7.4	7.1	Oct.
Nov.	7.9	3.8	8.3	3.8	10.4	7.9	10.7	7.9	8.1	7.6	8.3	7.6					Nov.
Dec.	8.3	3.8	8.6	3.8	10.5	8.4	10.8	8.5	8.0	7.1	8.1	7.2					Dec.
ANNUAL AVERAGE	7.5	3.6	—	—	9.5	5.7	—	—	9.5	9.0	—	—					ANNUAL AVERAGE

* *Based on percent of Civilian Labor Force. Seasonally adjusted series for U.S. and Oklahoma are revised.*
U.S. unemployment rate based on percent of Civilian Labor Force.

Note: The rates shown for Oklahoma are revised to a 1983 Current Population Survey (CPS) Benchmark, as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Research and Planning.